BOMBAY ACT No. III OF 1912[1].

[THE BOMBAY RACE-COURSES LICENSING ACT, 1912.]

[*6th June, 1912.*]

An Act to provide for the licensing of race-courses in the Bombay Presidency.

WHEREAS it is expedient to make provision for the regulation of horse-racing in the Bombay Presidency ; It is hereby enacted as follows : —

Short title and extent.

1. (*1*) This Act may be called the Bombay Race-courses Licensing Act, 1912.

(*2*) This section extends to the whole of the Bombay Presidency. The rest of the Act [2] extends only to such areas as the Governor in Council may by notification in the Bombay Government Gazette direct.

Definitions.

2. In this Act —

(*a*) "horse-race" means any race in which any horse, mare or gelding runs or is made to run in competition with any other horse, mare or gelding for any prize of what nature or kind soever, or for any bet or wager made or to be made in respect of any such horse, mare or gelding or the riders thereof, and at which more than twenty persons shall be present;

(*b*) "race-course" means any ground on which a horse-race can be held.

Prohibition against horse-racing on unlicensed race-courses.

3. (*1*) No horse-race shall be held save on a race-course for which a license for horse-racing granted in accordance with the provisions of this Act is in force.

(*2*) The terms of such license shall be published in the Bombay Government Gazette.

Application for license for horse-racing.

4. (*1*) The owner, lessee or occupier of any race-course may apply to the Governor in Council for a license for horse-racing on such race-course.

Grant of license for horse-racing.

(*2*) The Governor in Council may withhold such license or grant it subject to such conditions and for such period as he may think fit.

Cancellation of license.

(*3*) The Governor in Council may at any time cancel any license granted under this section in the event of any breach of the conditions subject to which it was granted.

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[1] For Statement of Objects and Reasons, *see* Bombay Government Gazette, 1912, Pt. VII page 131 ; for Report of Select Committee, *see ibid*, 1912, Pt. VII, page 132 ; and for Proceedings in Council, *see ibid*, 1912, Part VII, pages 221 and 471.

[2] For notification extending the rest of the Act to the Island of Bombay and the Cantonment of Poona, *see* Bombay Government Gazette, 1912, Pt. I, page 982.

Penalty for taking part in horse-race on unlicensed race-course.

5. Whoever takes part in any horse-race on any race-course for which a license granted in accordance with the provisions of section 4 is not in force shall be punishable with fine which may amount to two hundred rupees.

Penalty for owner, etc., allowing racing in unlicensed place.

6. If any horse-race is held on any race course for which a license granted in accordance with the provisions of section 4 is not in force, any person being the owner, lessee or occupier of such race-course shall be punishable with fine which may amount to one thousand rupees.

Penalty for contravening conditions of license.

7. If any person to whom a license has been granted in accordance with the provisions of section 4 contravenes any of the conditions subject to which such license was granted, such person shall be punishable with fine which may amount to one thousand rupees.

Cognizance of offences under this Act.

8. No Court inferior to that of a Presidency Magistrate or of a Magistrate of the First Class shall try an offence under this Act.

Exemptions.

9. The Governor in Council may from time to time by general or particular order published in the Bombay Government Gazette [1] exempt any horse-race from the operation of this Act.

BOMBAY ACT No. IV OF 1912[2].

[THE BOMBAY DISTRICT POLICE (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1912.]

[*13th June, 1912.*]

An Act further to amend the Bombay District Police Act, 1890.

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Bombay District Police Act, 1890, in manner hereinafter appearing ; It is hereby enacted as follows :— Bom. Act IV of 1890.

Amendment of section 8.

1. In section 8 of the Bombay [3] District Police Act, 1890, hereinafter called " the said Act ", after the word " inspectors " the words " sub-inspectors and sergeants " shall be inserted. Bom. Act IV of 1890.

Amendment of section 9.

2. In section 9 of the said Act, for the words " below the grade of inspector " the words " of the grades of head-constable and constable " shall be substituted.

Amendment of section 15.

3. In section 15 of the said Act, after the words " the distribution of the police force " the words " the conduct and character of any police officer subordinate to the District Superintendent " shall be inserted.

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[1] For notification exempting the Bombay Gymkhana Mounted Sports from the operation of the Act, *see* Bombay Local Rules and Orders.

[2] For Statement of Objects and Reasons, *see* Bombay Government Gazette, 1911, Pt. VII, page 393 ; for Report of Select Committee, *see ibid*, 1912, Pt. VII, page 112 ; and for Proceedings in Council, *see ibid*, 1912, Pt. VII, pages 70 and 257. The short title was given by Bom. Act 2 of 1921, *infra*.

[3] Vol. III of this Code.